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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO JUNE 27, 2006 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed June 27, 2006. This response is due on or before September 27, 2006. Applicants believe no fees are due with this response. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 28195-518.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks are shown starting on page 4 of this paper.

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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

The following papers are enclosed herewith for filing in the above-identified application:

- 1. Amendment and Response to June 27, 2006 Final Office Action (5 pages); and
- 2. Return Postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Ref. No. 28195-518). A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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